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Administrator
Washington, DC 20201

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Ms. Carolyn Ingram
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Dear Ms. Ingram:

We are pleased to inform you that your request to renew New Mexico's title XXI section 1115 demonstration project (project number 11-W-0012416) dated December 15, 2003, with additional information submitted on April 21, 2004, has been approved.

New Mexico will continue to operate under demonstration authority a State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) Medicaid expansion, which covers children through age 18, in families with income from 185 to 235 percent of the Federal poverty level. This extension permits New Mexico to continue co-payment requirements and a 6-month waiting period for the population.

Our approval of this demonstration (and the Federal matching provided thereunder) is conditioned upon compliance with the enclosed Special Terms and Conditions (STCs), which set forth in detail the nature, character and extent of anticipated Federal involvement in the project. Both the expenditure authorities granted and the STCs will remain in effect from January 1, 2005, through December 31, 2007. Enclosed are the expenditure authorities and STCs. The extension is subject to our receiving your written acceptance of our approval within 30 days of this letter.

Your title XXI project officer is Ms. Stacey Green. She is available to answer questions concerning this amendment and other SCHIP-related issues. Ms. Green's contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Green and to Mr. Andrew Fredrickson, Associate Regional Administrator in our Dallas Regional Office. Mr. Fredrickson's address is:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Jean Sheil, Director, Family and Children's Health Programs Group, in CMS' Center for Medicaid and State Operations at (410) 786-5647.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

Mark B. McClellan, M.D., Ph.L.